



Five kessim, including (from left) Eli Venada, Baruch Mentassanot, and Baruch Messaret, conduct a hunger strike outside the Prime Minister's Office yesterday. They are demanding to receive funds promised them by the Religious Affairs Ministry and are protesting the fact that they are being forced to move to other towns, far from their communities.

Benizri: A-G on witch-hunt against haredim

THE Attorney-General's Office is carrying out a witch-hunt against the haredi and religious communities, MK Shlomo Benizri (Shas) charged yesterday, after visiting the 15-year-old haredi who has been held over two weeks for allegedly throwing stones on Jerusalem's Rehov Bar-Ilan.

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"We are talking about a young boy who couldn't harm anyone, Benizri said. 'How can anyone say that he is a danger to the public?' The youth has been held since he was arrested on July 20 at a baredi demonstration. The Attorney-General's Office asked that he be held until trial, and Jerusalem Magistrate's Court agreed.

can't the court put other restrictions on him, like forcing him to stay at his home, or ordering him not to go near Rehov Bar-Ilan? Even if he did throw the stones, he doesn't deserve to be held."

Convicted child abuser's sentence increased to five years

EVELYN GORDON

THE Supreme Court yesterday increased the sentence of a man convicted of child abuse from two years to five years.

The Tel Aviv District Court had convicted him of repeatedly beating his four children - aged four, five, 12 and 13 in 1991 - between 1991 and 1993. He was also convicted of raping his youngest daughter (the third child).

which, by law, is needed in a case where a child victim does not take the stand herself. However, Barak and Beinisch, with Dornier dissenting, decided the testimony of the girl's sister and cousin as to the girl's emotional state when she told them of the event could be considered supporting evidence, even though she told them some time after the event had occurred.

lant against his children: Energetic blows with hands, legs, fists and sticks, which left such marks on the children that they were afraid to leave the house lest the marks be seen, Beinisch wrote, responding to the defense's argument that the beatings had been meant to correct bad behavior on the children's part.

Suissa calls for dismantling of Religious Affairs Ministry

THE Religious Affairs Ministry should be dismantled, Interior Minister Eli Suissa recommended yesterday, only two days after he received the Religious Affairs portfolio.

number of adherents it has living here. "It's unfeasible that there are less than 2,000 [Reform Jews] here and that they will influence the country as if there were 200,000 or 200 million Reform Jews here," he said.

Kabbalists plan mass public prayer to 'exorcise dybbuks'

A GROUP of kabbalists are to gather next week to conduct a mass public prayer to exorcise "dybbuks" from people suffering from mental and emotional problems. This will be the first time such prayers are held in public.

According to Rabbi Yitzhak Batzri, his father decided to conduct a public prayer after receiving hundreds of requests for such help over the years from people in severe distress.

Immigrants' standard of living increases faster than that of general population

YOCHI DREAZEN

THE standard of living for immigrants from the former Soviet Union has risen faster than that of the general population over the past six years, according to a recently-released study by the Geocartography Institute.

The study found that the number of immigrants owning electrical household appliances has increased by approximately 270 percent over the past six years, as their overall standard of living increased rapidly.

"The longer immigrants are here, the closer they approach the economic status of native Israelis," Geocartography spokeswoman Orna Biber, said.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Knesset to convene on Tuesday
Knesset Speaker Dan Tichon yesterday agreed to the government's request for a special Knesset session during the summer recess to discuss investment laws.

Jeweler seriously wounded by thieves
Sedot jeweler Shlomo Vazne, 52, was seriously wounded in the head yesterday, when he tried to prevent a pair of thieves from robbing his store.

Haifa U.'s class directory on the Internet
The University of Haifa announced yesterday that it will provide up-to-the-minute information on its classes via the Internet, becoming the first Israeli university to provide such a service.

Shai reappointed to second term
Nahman Shai, general manager of the Second Television and Radio Authority, was confirmed yesterday for a second five-year term in a unanimous vote by the STRA Council.

Betrothed laborer hits Lotto jackpot
A 29-year-old man from the central region arrived at the Tel Aviv headquarters of Mifal Hapayis yesterday to claim NIS 6 million, half the top prize in this week's Lotto drawing.

Virology summit opens Sunday

THE 10th International Congress on Virology will open at Jerusalem's International Convention Center on Sunday. Some 1,500 participants from 63 countries will attend.

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Grozny rebels attack government posts

CHECHEN rebels surrounded Russian troops yesterday in the city center as fighting continued for a second day and government forces admitted suffering dozens of casualties in bloody street fighting.

The rebels, who began a surprise offensive Tuesday on the Chechen capital, were trying yesterday to capture posts and buildings of the Russian forces and the pro-Moscow Chechen government.

Russian troops holding several checkpoints and government buildings in the city center were surrounded by the rebels. The Russian military appeared bogged down and the rebels held several parts of the city.

"The situation is critical," said Akmal Saidov, a Russian government representative in Chechnya. "The coming night may be the last in the life of those who are defending the center."

Gen. Pavel Golubets, first deputy interior minister of Russia, said the rebels did not capture any government buildings. But heavy fighting overnight around the Chechen Ministry of the Interior continued yesterday, and the building was on fire.

Russian helicopter gun ships and jets fired rockets at rebel positions in central Grozny, and Russian artillery shelled the city outskirts.

**ROBERT KING
GROZNY**

City streets were deserted as Russian and rebel forces fired at each other with mortars and automatic weapons.

Several buildings were on fire with columns of black smoke rising over the city. The Interior Ministry building ignited when it was hit by a stray missile fired from a Russian helicopter, the Interfax news agency reported.

Russian officials said 29 Russian soldiers had been killed and about 100 others wounded in the fighting. The pro-Moscow Chechen government forces said at least 13 of its police had been killed and 45 wounded.

Russian officials claimed the rebels had suffered heavy losses, but gave no figures. Sergei Stepanin, a senior official involved in peace efforts, said 11 rebel units had attacked the city and six had been destroyed in the fighting.

Both sides routinely exaggerate the losses inflicted on the other side.

Federal forces said they have lost eight helicopters and 15 armored vehicles.

The Russian army sent a column of armored vehicles toward central Grozny to try to reinforce federal

troops yesterday afternoon, but it stopped on the outskirts.

The attack came after the collapse of a May peace agreement and amid a continuing Russian offensive in the southern mountains. It also came just days before President Boris Yeltsin's inauguration in Moscow tomorrow for a second term.

The rebel offensive is the largest since the May peace agreement.

Russian forces were also fighting yesterday to recapture parts of Argun, 15 km east of Grozny, which the rebels also attacked on Tuesday.

Russian military officials said the situation around Gudermes, Chechnya's second largest city 30 km east of Grozny, was quiet yesterday after reports of clashes the day before.

The rebels said the attack was led by their most prominent field commander, Shamil Basayev, Russian news reports said.

The separatist attack was reminiscent of one in March, which targeted similar facilities and left scores dead. It took Russian troops several days then to reclaim control of the city.

Such attacks on Grozny, the heart of Russia's military and political presence in Chechnya, are demoralizing for Russian troops fighting an unpopular war. (AP)



A cyclist argues with a driver on Whitehall as hundreds of anti-car campaigners added to the chaos on the streets of London during yesterday's Underground strike. (Reuters)

Controversial abortion of twin carried out

LONDON (AP) - All the court orders and all the cash offers couldn't have stopped a pregnant woman from aborting one of her twins. It turned out she already had the abortion.

But debate continued yesterday about whether it should have been permitted, and whether the mother's poverty should be considered.

The case, disclosed by *Sunday Express*, raised interest because it involved one of a pair of twins, and because a doctor indicates that the woman's financial situation played a role in her decision.

A few private individuals had offered money to the unidentified woman if she would change her mind, and an anti-abortion group won a temporary court order blocking the abortion.

Within hours of the court action, however, Hammsmith Hospitals Trust confirmed that the woman had already had the abortion at the Queen Charlotte Hospital. It refused to say when.

Yesterday morning, attorney Hugh Lloyd told a judge that the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children was withdrawing its case "in the light of developments overnight."

Sir David Steel, a lawmaker who was instrumental in passing Britain's 1967 Abortion Act, said anti-abortion groups should not contest individual cases in court.

"It is quite intolerable that outside bodies should go to the courts and say 'We, who know nothing about the case, and know nothing about the mental state of this

woman and her circumstances, can second guess the doctors who do know all the background," Steel said in a BBC radio interview.

The *Sunday Express* had quoted Professor Phillip Bennett as saying the woman was a 28-year-old unmarried mother of one in "strained circumstances." It quoted him as saying she wanted to have one of the twins she was carrying aborted because she could not cope with two more children.

"What this has brought out is a proper anxious debate about medical ethics," Steel said.

"But I am quite satisfied, and Parliament has re-visited the Abortion Act on many occasions since 1967, and on each occasion on a cross-party majority has decided it should stand."

Life on Mars is no surprise

NEWS that life might have been found in a meteorite from Mars comes as no surprise to scientists who have been studying Earth's nearest neighbor.

The finding was hailed yesterday as the greatest discovery of this century, one that could have far-reaching effects on philosophy, religion and science.

"This changes our view of ourselves, it changes our view of the universe," Louis Friedman of The Planetary Society said.

Planetary scientists were usually enthusiastic about the evidence, laboriously put together by electron microscopic analysis of fossils dating back billions of years. Another scientist called the discovery "unequivocal."

They say discoveries of hardy bacteria in underwater volcanoes kilometers below the Earth's surface and in oil wells makes it clear that life can arise and survive in extreme conditions.

Belgian Nobel Prize-winning biologist Christian de Duve, an expert on life in the Universe, cautiously welcomed NASA's

announced evidence of ancient, single-cell life on Mars in remains from a 13,000-year-old meteorite.

"Obviously this is extremely exciting news but I don't like to comment without having more information," he said.

"NASA has made a startling discovery that points to the possibility that a primitive form of microscopic life may have existed on Mars more than three billion years ago," NASA administrator Daniel Goldin said.

De Duve, Nobel winner in 1974 and author of *Vital Dust*, a book about the origins of life in the Universe, said he would not be surprised if traces of life had been found on the red planet.

NASA scientists were to announce late yesterday they had found the fossilised remains of organisms resembling bacteria in a meteorite that fell to earth in the Antarctic

13,000 years ago.

"I don't think that'll be too much of a surprise to other people," said Ian Wright of the Planetary Sciences Research Institute at the Open University in Milton Keynes, England.

Wright, a chemist who has studied the meteorite involved, said recent discoveries showed that Mars, with its temperatures well below freezing, thin atmosphere and constant ultraviolet bombardment, would not be too inhospitable for a bacterium.

"We now find bacteria in all kinds of weird places like inside salt crystals, in 120C water, deep in the earth, in oil wells, close to radioactive materials."

Wright's studies of Martian rocks showed that, billions of years ago when life was first arising on Earth, Mars was warmer and wetter than it is now. "It was in a temperature regime that certainly would not have precluded life," he said.

The meteorite itself contained at least some of the building blocks of life, he added.

SA Moslems issue death threats against drug dealers

CAPE TOWN (Reuters) - About 1,000 armed South African Moslems yesterday warned Cape Town's drug dealers to stop dealing or risk the same fate as gang leader Rashad Staggie, who was hanged last Sunday.

Chanting *Allahu Akbar* and "Kill the merchants", supporters of the militant movement, People Against Gangsterism and Drugs (Pagad), paraded through the silent early morning streets of Cape Town's mixed-race Silverton district to the home of an alleged drug dealer.

Watched over by police in six armored riot-control vehicles and a fleet of smaller trucks, and with a helicopter hovering overhead shining a spotlight on the crowd, they lay prone on a road shouting death threats to drug dealers.

A Moslem theologian who asked not to be identified said the vigilantes included Islamic fighters trained in Libya before South Africa's 1994 transition to democracy.

"Some of them are militant Islamists who believe that law

and order is breaking down under majority rule," he said.

Libya's ambassador in South Africa rejected the allegations that his country was assisting Pagad.

Most of the crowd, which included a handful of women, kept their faces covered and nearly all the men carried weapons ranging from an ancient chrome-plated revolver to repeating shotguns and at least one automatic rifle.

A young man toting a shotgun and with his face swathed in a red shawl delivered the message over a loud hailer, saying that anyone still dealing drugs by Sunday would be killed.

"From Sunday onwards, we are going to march on the houses of the merchants and we are going to take them out.

"We want no less than a gangster-free and a merchant-free society. We are calling for a just social order. All of us are prepared to make the maximum sacrifice in order to achieve that goal," he said.

EU says Bosnian Croats capitulated

MOSTAR (Reuters) - Bosnian Croats suddenly eased their recalcitrant stance on the future of Mostar when they learned Moslem rivals would be able to govern without them. European Union mediators said yesterday.

"We told them that the city council can meet without Croat deputies. The statute of Mostar says a mayor can be elected with consent from one-third of the present deputies of one nation," an EU official said.

"It's simple. The Croats don't show up - that means zero deputies. And one-third of zero is again zero," said the official, who asked not to be named.

The Croats were taken aback. "They never read the statute properly," he said.

"When they realized that a Moslem mayor could be appointed, without them having a chance of blocking it, they started to melt."

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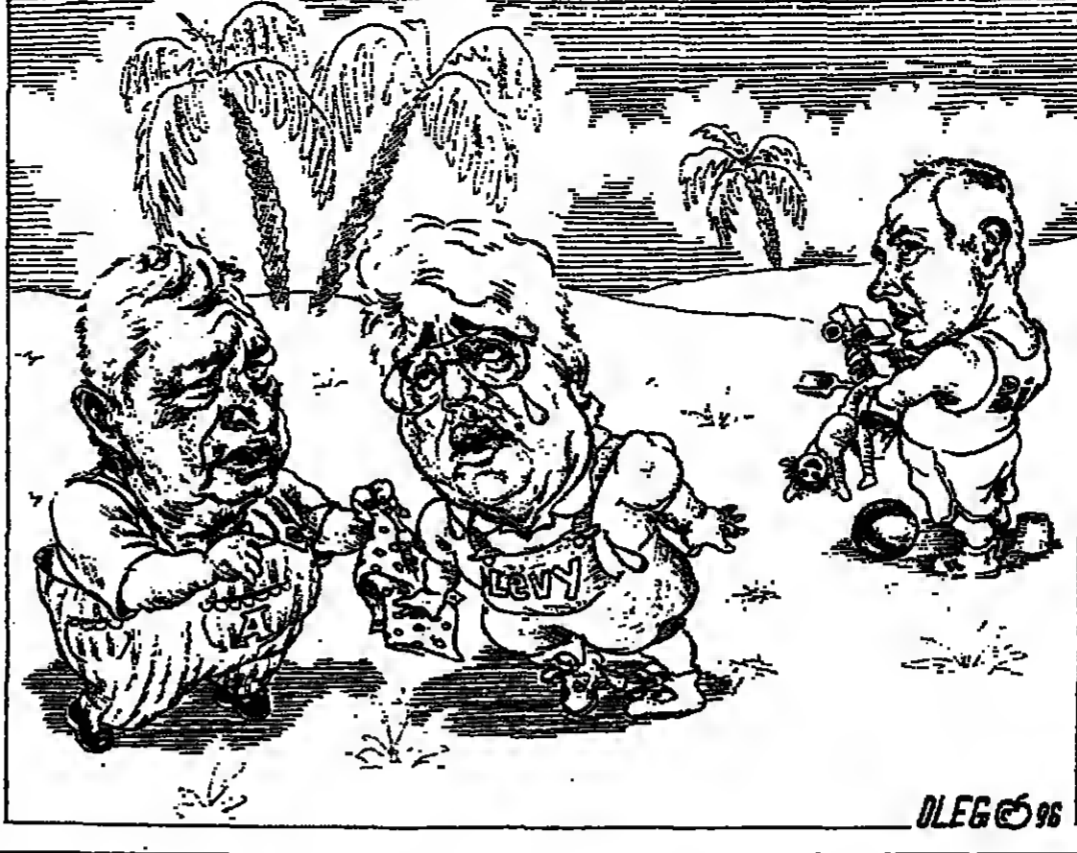
FOREIGN Minister David Levy has caught more than a diplomatic cold. His pointed absence from two key ministerial meetings yesterday raises the temperature of his dispute with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu to the point at which it begins to endanger the smooth running of the government...

was sent to Washington to brief the Clinton administration on the government's decision to cancel the settlement freeze; no Foreign Ministry representative was invited to last week's meeting with King Hussein in Amman; and Levy seems unlikely to be put in charge of the steering committee on negotiating with the Palestinians...

A Turkish sweetener

TURKEY's newly established government has drawn unusual attention in diplomatic corridors and financial capitals across the West, due to its unique coalition of Prime Minister Necmettin Erbakan's Islamists and Foreign Minister Tensu Ciller's secularists.

Turkey's precarious economic situation - which feeds Islamic disgruntlement - makes such loans even more risky than the political context in which they are bound to be extended.



'Jane's' nasty dig

JANE'S of London has a reputation for being "widely respected" as an authoritative source of international military and intelligence. All the more reason to be surprised at the major blunder in its latest Sentinel publication...

URI DAN DENNIS EISENBERG

ments supplied by Pollard be returned to the US. This was a huge blunder, since without these documents the US had no case against Pollard.

The 'authoritative' military and intelligence report is wide of the mark this time

President Clinton's announcement earlier this week that the FBI will open an office in Tel Aviv to coordinate its campaign against terrorism directed and sponsored by Iran, Syria, Iraq and Libya.

Who suffers?

BRUCE HERSCHENSOHN

WHEN there is an incident of international terrorism, US lawmakers' immediate reaction is to enact new regulations that further erode the liberties of US citizens rather than those of terrorists.

JUST BEFORE the June 25 terrorist attack near Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, that killed 19 US servicemen, there was a conference in Tebran of what is called the International Hizbullah.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMS

Sir, - While Eilihu D. Richter's anger is quite properly directed at the horrible pace of fatal and near-fatal accidents on our roads (Letters, July 26), his solution of installing hidden cameras is unacceptable.

THE KABBALA

Sir, - It was depressing reading your article of July 21, "Away from the gurus, back to the rabbis." It is incredible that people go to India for "spirituality," "peace," "meaning" - to a place like Calcutta, where people live and die like flies.

COMPENSATION FOR US HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS

Sir, - I received a letter from the Embassy of the United States which advised me that in September 1995, the US and Germany concluded an agreement to compensate certain US citizen Holocaust survivors.

NEGATIVE APPROACH

Sir, - On July 24, Mabat news showed new recruits being drafted into the army. It was a pleasure to see our young boys changing from schoolboys to soldiers and 80 percent of their volunteering for fighting units.

MARCUS KLINGBERG

Sir, - I fail to understand this business with convicted spy Marcus Klingberg. The state keeps objecting to any leniency regarding parole or leave from prison on the grounds that it still possesses information which could seriously damage state security.

SHAMEFUL BEHAVIOR

Sir, - I will never understand the haredi psyche. If their goal is to be the most abhorred segment of Israeli society, to be looked upon with disgust and disdain, then attacking women, throwing stones on Shabbat and continued violence will certainly accomplish this.

POSTSCRIPTS

A BEIJING nightclub called "Pirate Ship" is among 2,000 Chinese businesses ordered to change their names in a campaign against "harmful cultural content."

New Yorker magazine, that he

"may be descended from Sephardic Jewish West Indian planters."

EIGHT-YEAR-OLD Elmer Javier

Licona missed his mother so much that he set out from his Honduras home with no money on a 3,200-km trek to find her in California.

The US must erode the liberties of terrorists and their sponsors, not of its own citizens

expand terrorist attacks against US interests worldwide. On July 20, after the bombings of Dhahran and TWA Flight 800, there was a follow-up conference of International Hizbullah in which the Islamic Change Movement was singled out for its recent "achievements."

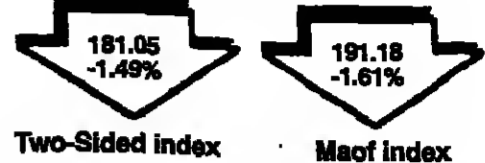
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TA stocks drop pending move on rates

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET

ROBERT DANIEL



Two-Sided index

Maof index

STOCKS dropped 1.5 percent yesterday as investors debated the chances the central bank would cut interest rates. Gains by US stocks failed to lift Israeli shares.

"Someone called this a manic-depressive market, said Daniel L. Finn, head of sales at Betucha Investments in Tel Aviv. Even with a positive showing on Wall Street on Tuesday, 'Israeli stocks didn't do that well,' she said.

The Two-Sided index dropped 1.49% to 181.05, while the Maof index shed 1.61%, to 191.18.

The most active stock was Koor, up 0.5% on NIS 6.8 million of shares traded. Leading stocks lower were Elco Holdings and its 3%-held affiliate Shekem, down 9% and 9.8% respectively; medical equipment producer and defense contractor Elbit Ltd., down 5%, chemicals producer Dead Sea Works, which shed 5% and super-market chain Sapsoro, off 4%.

Across the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, some NIS 77.5 million worth of shares traded, 10% higher than the average daily volume this month of 70.4 million and 2% greater than last month's 76 million.

Holding company Elco and Central Bank Governor Jacob Frenkel "was so adamant in his effort to cut inflation that the cut [last month] surprised me," Finn said. "I will tell you that he does not want to cut interest rates."

At the same time, expectations are that inflation will ease, and the daily Ha'aretz is suggesting that the central bank might cut rates as much as 0.8 percentage points, she said. Two weeks ago, Israeli stocks fell to 15-month lows. Until today, they had rebounded more than 9% from those levels.

"Unless rates go down and we see a positive breakthrough in the political arena, we may see the market at this level for quite a while," Finn said. (Bloomberg)

Franc heads towards lows as bourses drift

WORLD MARKET ROUNDUP

LONDON, Aug 7 (Reuters) - The French franc was under pressure in late trading yesterday, heading towards four-month lows against the mark, while European bourses drifted to the close.

The franc traded at around 3.4124 to the mark yesterday afternoon from 3.4039 on Tuesday, having hit four-month lows of 3.4128 in the morning. Its low for 1996 is 3.4530 to the mark.

The franc has been pressured this week by talk of a government reshuffle, that Prime Minister Alain Juppe had resigned, and that President Jacques Chirac was in talks with German Chancellor Helmut Kohl about delaying the introduction of a single currency.

"The rumors of a cabinet reshuffle served to highlight that we're entering a tough period for French financial markets. We could see the franc ranging between 3.38 and 3.42, even 3.43 is conceivable," he said.

Nick Parsons, foreign exchange strategist at Banque Paribas, said, "The mood remains nervous but unless we get a more general ERM problem I don't see the franc breaking out of the old narrow band (3.4305-francs per mark)."

"The fact it has been a speculative sell off, rather than a liquidation of French holdings, makes the move more vulnerable to intervention or selective leaks of good news," Parsons said.

The government rolled out its big guns yesterday morning to try and stem the franc slide by underlining its commitment to meeting the Maastricht budget deficit criteria on time and that a planned 1997 spending freeze was intact.

Dealers said they suspected Bank of France was buying francs, but they had very little evidence and any operation was likely to be in small amounts.

French shares closed slightly lower in thin volume yesterday due to the weaker franc and despite a stronger dollar and a early rise on Wall Street, dealers said. The CAC-40 index was down 2.6 points.

Stock market ends higher despite rising interest rates

WALL STREET ROUNDUP

NEW YORK (AP) - Rebounding technology shares helped turn the market higher yesterday despite rising interest rates, bringing the Dow Jones industrial average back above 5,700 for the first time since early July.

The Dow industrials rose for the sixth time in seven sessions, adding 22.56 points to close at 5,718.67. It put the blue-chip barometer within 60 points, or 1 percent of its all-time high.

The Dow and broader big-company measures bounced back in the last hour after surrendering early gains as the bond market weakened in yesterday afternoon's disappointing auction of \$10 billion in 10-year notes.

The yield on the 30-year Treasury bond rose to 6.77%, up from 6.75% late Tuesday.

Computer-related shares continued to rebound from July's

slide, benefiting from improving assessments from brokerage houses. But the buying remained focused on bellwether names perceived to be less risky compared with the rest of the volatile technology sector.

Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by a 13-to-9 margin on the New York Stock Exchange, with 1,417 up, 983 down and 784 unchanged.

NYSE volume totaled 392.41 million shares as of 4 p.m., vs. 347.23m. in the previous session. The NYSE's composite index rose 0.78 to 3,543.3, and the Standard and Poor's 500-stock index rose 1.77 to 664.15.

The Nasdaq composite index rose 12.24 to 1,141.11, and the American Stock Exchange's market value index rose 1.50 to 550.24.

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